## ABSTRACT\_OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of joining the interfacing ends of cables, one to another, wherein each comprises a plurality of conductor strands, comprising (i) providing each of the ends with an enlarged terminal portion of greater diameter than the cable adjacent the end, (ii) inserting the ends into a connecting tube having an outer layer of an explosive charge, and (iii) detonating the explosive layer so as to compress the connecting tube around the conductor strands. The method offers a cheaper, faster and simpler method of joining a bundle of wires and the like than prior art methods.

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